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Assistant Director for Operations

6 June 1955

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Chief, [ ] FOIAB3B1

Progress Report for month of May, 1955.

OPERATIONS

1. In response to the DD/I requirement for maximum coverage of Indochina, the [ ] 25X1A6A cruising monitor was detailed to [ ] on temporary duty, [ ] 25X1A7B was authorized to hire two additional local employees, and additional monitoring equipment was provided. It was found that all clandestine coverage is being withheld by the [ ] 25X1C8A Ten daily broadcasts are now being monitored directly by the [ ] 25X1A7B [ ] 25X1A7B

2. [ ] 25X1A5A1 reports on communication analysis which were prepared on GO request, were received in final form.

3. The Special Assistant for Intelligence, DD/I, expressed appreciation for the selective [ ] wire service to his office, and FOIAB3B1 stated that the Director reads 90 per cent of the material furnished.

4. It was observed that the American Embassy in Moscow reads FOIAB3B1 [ ] publications regularly and closely. Several Embassy cablegrams to the Department have cited the [ ] FOIAB3B1 [ ] and a dispatch signed by the Second Secretary particularly commended [ ] analytic work. FOIAB3B1

5. The most important Radio Propaganda Reports issued during the month (1) supplemented earlier reports covering propaganda on the Formosa issue, (2) described world comment on the proposed Big-Four Conference, and (3) analyzed Kaganovich's 9 May speech in Prague, particularly with respect to his revelations of his own position in impromptu departures from his prepared text. Four papers were submitted to the OCI staff which prepares the Director's weekly NSC briefing, one of them by request; and two studies were prepared in support of scheduled national estimates.

6. NCHA Peking shifted to summer frequencies on 25 May, eliminating the problem at [ ] of interference by the USAF Amateur Affiliated Radio System (MARS), which had previously been called to the attention of USAF. This information was passed to the Director of Intelligence, USAF, pointing out that it may, however, represent only a temporary alleviation of the difficulty. 25X1A7B

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7. At the request of the DCI, a letter was drafted to the

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[REDACTED]

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These stations appear to be designed for broadcasting but have characteristics for potential [REDACTED]  
On 1 May eight new transmissions appearing to emanate from this area were detected.

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9. Army Communications Staff in the Pentagon recently liberalized its attitude toward [REDACTED] traffic, and informally authorized for use under appropriate circumstances the "operational immediate" precedence by [REDACTED]. This will facilitate the dispatch of vital information from [REDACTED]. The highest precedence previously authorized was "priority."

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FOIAB3B1 10. Representatives of Biographic Register, OCD, conferred with [REDACTED] editors, reviewing the type of material that Biographic Register requires, and expressing satisfaction with the service [REDACTED] has been providing.

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#### FACILITIES

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25X1A6A 11. The [REDACTED] emergency complement was augmented by two dictaphone recorders, in order to increase the capacity of the equipment available for operation in [REDACTED]. If [REDACTED] becomes untenable and none of its equipment can be salvaged, the [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] emergency complements will provide equipment for six simultaneous operations.

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12. [REDACTED] Construction!  
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a. All houses under project DD/I-156-54, were occupied and this project is virtually completed. Nine quonset houses are being removed in preparation for construction of six duplex and two four-man EOQ structures under project DD/I-172-55.

b. Installation of an underground connection to the island power system is 95 per cent complete.

c. The well and water supply system at the operations site is 80 per cent complete. All materials for this job have been received.

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13. The [REDACTED] survey in [REDACTED] in connection with the establishment of a Latin American cruising post was completed. An available building was found at [REDACTED] which would require modifications approximating \$1,000.

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14. Detailed planning for expansion of [ ] into T&S space in [ ] was completed.

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ADMINISTRATION

15. Personnel

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a. The [ ] overseas T/O was reduced to ceiling, plus one temporary incumbency position. The T/O revision also provided re-classification of five overseas positions to reflect more accurately the level of their responsibilities.

b. [ ] 25X1A7B native wage scales were increased by approximately 7 per cent, following similar action by the State Department.

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c. During May 5 employees entered on duty and 2 resigned or transferred. [ ] classified on-duty strength on 31 May was [ ] five under ceiling.

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16. Logistic support for the [ ] was officially transferred to FEAF from AFPS.

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17. Chief, [ ] 25X1A7B completed his inspection trip of all overseas field bureaus. A separate report is being submitted.

Enclosures: 25X1A9A

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I. [ ] Production.

II. Personnel Supplement.